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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ichiro Anzai
Serial No.: 09/736,809
Conf. No.: 8852
Filed: 12/14/2000
For: STORAGE APPARATUS AND
ACCESS CONTROL METHOD
Art Unit: 2186
Examiner: Li, Zhuo H.

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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following documents for filing in the above-referenced application:

- (X) Response A.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. Two duplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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RESPONSE A

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 15, 2004, please consider the following remarks.